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## Congress of the United States House of Representatives

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President-Elect Donald J. Trump Trump Tower 725 Fifth Ave. New York, NY 10022

Dear President-Elect Trump:

It has come to my attention that refugees from Syria have been approved for resettlement in my congressional district. The State of Wisconsin has a tradition of welcoming refugees, such as the Hmong from Southeast Asia, which has strengthened our communities and given innocent civilians a way to escape war in their home country. While I am proud our state has accepted many refugees with open hearts and arms, I am concerned about the adequacy of the security vetting standards used by the Obama Administration to ensure that refugees from places with high threats of terrorism – such as Syria – do not pose a risk to the United States.

Many of my constituents supported your candidacy in part because of your pledge to put a pause on the refugee resettlement program from places with high risks of terrorist until we have the confidence that we can properly screen refugees to determine whether they pose a threat to the United States. Accordingly, I ask that you uphold this campaign promise after you are sworn in as the 45<sup>th</sup> President on January 20, 2017.

I look forward to working with you and your new Administration to prevent the admission of non- U.S. citizens who have not been thoroughly vetted by the appropriate national security agencies. I stand ready to assist you in any way I can.

Sincerely,

Sean Duffy

Member of Congress